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HETEROPOLYMERS AND OIL-SOLUBLE
POLYMERS AND METHODS OF USING
SAME

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows. See the attached Appendix for the actual changes made to effect the amendments.

Page 2, delete the second full paragraph, and substitute the following therefor:

-- The invention also provides a method for providing stability to a composition comprising including in the composition at least one structuring polymer comprising a polymer skeleton which comprises at least one hydrocarbon-based repeating unit

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